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PARIS-(AP)-THE EVENING NEWSPAPER PARIS-PRESSE REPORTED TODAY THAT MAURICE THOREZ. AILING LEADER OF FRANCE'S COMMUNIST PARTY. HAS SUFFERED A RELAPSE AND THAT HIS PHYSICAL CONDITION HAS BECOME SERIOUS.

THE PAPER SAID THAT THE REPORT ON THE NO. 1 FRENCH RED, WHO HAS BEEN IN MOSCOW FOR NEARLY TWO YEARS, WAS BROUGHT BACK BY JACQUES DUCLOS AND ANDRE STIL ON THEIR RETURN YESTERDAY FROM STALIN'S FUNERAL. DC1153AES 3-17

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